

## **BLOOD SUGAR MANAGEMENT**

HYPERGLYCEMIA	<u>HYPOGLYCEMIA</u>
High Blood Sugar	Low Blood Sugar
SYMPTOMS	SYMPTOMS
Thirst	Shakiness
Hunger	Sweaty
Frequent Urination	Hunger
Fatigue	Anxiety
Nausea	Nervousness
Blurred Vision	Confusion
Headache	Acting angry or irritable
Nervousness	Slurred Speech
Confusion	Headache
CAUSES	CAUSES
Too much food	Too little food
Too little exercise	Too much insulin
Too little insulin	More activity than usual
Stress	Too long between meals or snacks
Illness or injury	Alcohol



## How do you treat a **LOW** blood sugar?

Choose <u>ONE</u> of the following examples:

½ cup fruit juice

½ cup regular pop

1 tbsp honey or corn syrup

3 sugar packets

3-4 hard candies (Life Savers, Werther's)

Glucose Tablets or glucose gel (follow directions on package)

Wait 15 minutes, and then retest your blood sugar.

If you are still less than 4 mmol/L, take another 15 grams of fast-acting carbohydrate.

If your next meal is more than an hour away, have a **SMALL** snack that consists of <u>15</u> grams of carbohydrate and a source of protein to keep your blood sugar within normal limits.

Examples: crackers and cheese, granola bar, yogurt and nuts, etc.